

## **Data Description for Oyster Boarding Survey**

**General:** The Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries estimates the harvest from public oyster grounds by means of a boarding survey of boats during the public season (September-March). Sack oysters, those harvested for consumption, are reported as the number of sacks estimated for each boat. Seed oysters are reported in units of barrels. One barrel is roughly equal in volume to two sacks.

### **Data Column Descriptors:**

*Date:* mm/dd/yyyy

*Grid:* Map 200211404.pdf shows a grid superimposed on Breton Sound and vicinity. The grid number identifies the sector where the boats were observed fishing or where they reported having fished.

*Days Fished:* Number of days the boat crew reported having been out from dock.

*Number of Sacks:* Measures the number of oysters harvested for consumption.

*Number of Barrels:* Measures the number of seed oysters harvested.

